The Vermont Phanix.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1884.

Congress has adjourned to January 5. Practically nothing has been done thus far in the present session.

were hurt. The fire broke out in the drying-room. The building which, with the grounds, occupied the entire block, was 210 by 1/60 feet. It was three stories high, with a man-sard roof, and was built of bias stone. The For a week trains have been snowed in or a railway line between Dallas and Portland, Oregon, and all efforts to raise the blockade are unsuccessful so far. The enow bound pasthe boilers and the freating apparatus, with a dermitory on the third floor used as a bespital, in which there were do orphans suffering from various complaints. Sister Mary Josephins, who was in the dermitory at the sengers are supplied with food by sleds.

According to the report of the general land commissioner, Uncle Sam still has 506, 494, 454 acres, or 790,000 square miles, of ansurveyed territory, exclusive of Alaska. A good deal of this is "devil's pasture," but there are immense tracts of valuable grazing and agricultural land still open to the settler.

she ran to a window where she stood upon a cornice until a fireman swung his coat to her. The sister caught the coat, but when the fire-uant tried to pull her from her perilous post-tion, she lost her grasp and fell headlong to the ground. She strick upon her shoulder and head, and was conveyed to St. Cathe-rine's hospital unconscious. There were about 30 sisters in the saylum, and a number of them went on; with the boxs but it was On New Year's day a revolution in the mathod of telling time will be inaugurated by the directors of the royal observatory at Greenwich, England. The day will begin at midnight, which will be designated as zero, and of them went out with the boys, but it was then the hours follow up to midnight, which impossible to keep the little fellows together. One of the boys in the asylum said that the fire was caused by another boy who acciwill be 24 o'clock. In the new system one o'clock will be 13 o'clock, two o'clock will be are was caused by auditer only was secured on tally touched some clothes drying on a rack with a lighted candle. The flame, he said, leaped in a moment and all who were in the room ran out. Search in the rains for bodies began on Friday and ten were found, 14 o'clock, and so on until midnight, which will amaze its present owners by tolling 24 times. The English government will adopt this method of time in order to benefit trausbodies began on Friday and ten were found, and about as many more, charred out of all human shape, were found on Gatorday. In all 22 bodies have been recovered. According to the latest accounts the mother superior is now almost positive that there were 780 children in the seylim Thursday afternoon. Including the 22 whose bodies were found, 680 have been accounted for, having 78 missing a Section of the server and obligate. portation companies and correct errors cans ed by the abbreviations of a. M. and P. M. The transportation companies will be the first to try the new system of time keeping, and if they continue it commercial houses will be obliged to do likewise, and when once this is done the entire English community will adopt ing. She says that there were 30 children on the infirmary floor when the fire broke out, of whom seven were saved.

The New York Tribuns publishes, what it claims is the full text of the Nicaragua treaty. from which it appears that the Times summary, which has been the basis of discussion so far, was materially inaccurate. Nicaragua does not by this treaty cede any territory to the United States, but yields only the right to construct a canal by the route which may be found most eligible. Nicaragua granting all the public lands through which the canal may pass, and providing for the taking of such private lands as may be needed at the cost of the United States. The whole work is to be done by the United States at its expense, and the canal when completed will be managed by a board of six commission three appointed by the President of the United States and three by the President of Nicaragua. The chairman will be one of the American commissioners so designated by the President, and if the commission shall be upon any point equally divided in opinion. the chairman shall have the deciding vote: that is to say, he shall, in such case, have two votes instead of one. Of the income of the canal, after providing for the expense of management, one-third is to be paid to Nicaragua and two-thirds to the United States.

A Final Summing Up.

Elsewhere in this paper we give place, one more, to a full statement of the case with re gard to the Wilmington railroad project. Mr Crosby covers the whole ground. He states why the road was first thought of, shows its feasibility, gives facts about the several sur veys and about the Readsboro project, and orges all the well known and, to us, onan swerable arguments in favor of the road. The ground being thus thoroughly covered we purpose to let this stand as a final publi cation in the matter, so far as we are concern ed, until there is evidence of such a change in the public sentiment on this question se warrants its further agitation. We still be-lieve, as we have believed from the first, that Brattleboro cannot afford not to aid this road when such aid will secure its construction but for the present we see no good that can come from continued agitation of the matter

Put Up or Shut Up.

It can now be said with entire sufety that when Which responsibility he will accept. The civil se

The Phoenix does not at this moment recall the fact that it ever printed the above paragraph, certainly not editorially. But suppose we did. Will the Argus kindly tell us, by name, who some of the R-publican "ra cals" are who now hold federal offices, and whom it talks about so flippantly? We don't only because we are foolish or ignorant.

Ought there not to be in Brattleboro, in a winter like that which has now closed its tematic method by which it should be made sure that no family or individual finds the winter a terror because of lack of fuel, food or clothing to withstand its siege? It has always been said that Brattleboro bus no "poor people" in the ordinary sense of that term-that there are no families who shiver in hovels, with little children who lack comfortable clothing or substantial food. We have no doubt this is true, but the times are unmistakably "hard" for wage-carners. Work is slack, wages small, and \$20 or \$25 a month is a slender sum to draw on for rent, fuel and food for those who have little children to protect from the pinch of the cold. One need not go far to find families whose resources are not greater than this pittanceand what shall save them if even this little income be cut off through sickness or other stress? Nothing short of a little human

We therefore answer Yes, decidedly, to the question which we asked in opening,-and we say, further, that we believe the several churches should take the matter in hand and by a little systematic effort make sure that there is no suffering in this village for lack of life's necessaries during the coming three months. There need be little machinery to accomplish this. First, let all the religious societies agree to work together. Then let them meet through chosen committees, let the village be districted, and a visiting committee of two ladies be appointed for each distee or two ladies be appointed for each district, with every church represented. It should be the duty of these visitors to know in a general way about the families in each in each up, were buried in the ruins. Fortunately district, and all cases of destitution be reported to them and personally looked into. These committees should meet weekly, comed in each case and see that the want is supplied. Could there be a simpler or better way than this for the community to make sure that none of its members suffer?

Funds for this service would be readily forthcoming. Brattleboro is proverbially generous to the unfortunate, and no went to do man with a heart in him would refuse money to a committee like that we suggest. This matter comes home to us because of the section, but it is believed that gas from the main 15 feet away impregnated the ground and forced its way into the cellar.

WINTER IN HARMEST.

If those of us who generous to the unfortunate, and no well-tolive in well-built houses, with a fuel supply which we draw on without stint, could scarcely keep warm last Friday and Saturday, how about those who have a scant ton of coal in to come from to buy more? It is small comfort to sit by one's own blazing fire in such be not familias in town where children shiver, while the hearts of the parents are heavy with foreboding. There are few men who would not gladly buy peace of mind on this point by a gift of ten dollars to sid an ornized effort which should practically take the whole village or town in its charge,

The time for action is now. Why should not the churches take the first step next Sunday, while the Christmas spirit is still on

We have no patent on this plan. It is one which towns smaller as well as larger than Brattleboro might profitably adopt.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

ailding where the fire originated cont

ime the fire broke out, made heroic efforts to save the little ones. She remained in the com until driven out by the flames. Then

she ran to a window where she stood upon a

WILD WEST.

essary. Accordingly a band of 100 men, armed and drunk, raided on Traverse, looted the court house, smashing doors, windows and furniture, and removing the safe. Pri-

vate bouses were also guited and the mails robbed. Fortunately the county clerk had removed the records from the safe. Finding them gone, after their departure the mob in-crossed its numbers and started back to Trav-

creased its numbers and started back to Traverse, threatening to hang the county officers and kill half the people if necessary to get the records. A Traverse despatch dated on Sunday said: On receipt of this news the Traverse officers ordered the women and children to leave town, and the order is being rapidly obeyed. The mob is not expected to reach here much before dark. Buildings are

being barricaded and there are runners out all over the county for arms and men. The force in Traverse at present is rather small for

such an emergency, but the men on the ground are well armed and will make a des-

perate fight. All the weak-kneed have been asked to leave town, but none have left.

Men from the northeastern part of the counry are coming to the rescue, but may not get here in time. Gov. Pierce will have troops here Monday evening, but they also may be too late. A despatch on Wednesday said:

rded. A contest within two days is re-

THE NEW YORK THEATRE COMIQUE BURNED.

neighboring blocks, and streams from 12

steamers were thrown upon them. It is sup-posed that a piece of drapery may have been blown against a force jet which was kept burning on the stage all night. The theatre

was a three story brick building, occupying

ood's church, which was converted by Mr.

St-wart into a theatre 17 years ago, much to the horror of New York society. The thea-

IMMENSE OIL FIRE IN NEW YORK

-Pratt's astral oil-works, which occupied the entire block at the foot of Twelfth street

about the yard. The burning oil flowed over

oped and burned. The shock occasioned by

the two explosions broke the windows of all

with a crash. After that the fire reigned so

shore were now driven away and the mem

A STRANGE EXPLOSION

the entire family were resoued without hav-

ing sustained fatal injuries, although all of them were more or less burt. It appears they retired about 10 o'clock and probably

two hours later a daughter, who slept down

stairs, awoke and noticed a tiny blue flame playing on the hearthstone. She got up and put it out and then called her brother, who

ent with a light to the cellar to investigate,

He had no sooner opened the door than a terrible explosion followed and the building was raised from its foundations and came down a mass of ruins. The escape of all

—Although the coming of last Priday's cold wave was accurately foretold by the weather bureau, it struck the Middle and

Eastern states with a suddenness and severity for which nobody was prepared. The range of the mercury was all the way from zero to 20° below. Mt. Washington's experi-

moreury froze and the spirit thermometer registered 42° below zero. A northwest hur-rienne, with an estimated velocity of over 100 miles an hour prevailed. The exact ve-

eter was blown away. In Vermout Saturday was a colder day than Friday. At Barre (the

banner town) the mercury sank to 82° below

zero; at Tunbridge it registered 30 below

at Northin-id it - as 22 below. At St. Albans and Montpolier it was 20 below; at Rich-ford 22 below. Sonday morning was very cold, but before night a warm wave begun to

ence was the most severe since 1876.

locity could not be obtained as the an-

-The fine brick residence of John Gates

thrown out of work.

tre will be rebuilt at once.

A BROOKLYN ORPHAN ABYLUM RURKED -TWEN —Si. John's home, the Roman Catholic male orphan asylum at the corner of St. Marks and Albany avenues in Brooklyn, N. X.; was burned late on Thursday afternoon of last week. There were 755 orphans in the building, a general panic ensued and several were hurt. The fire broke out in the drying-

ades occurred.

—Richard Coyle, a freeno painter, died at Bridgeport, Conn., Monday, aged 40. He had been sick two years of a peculiar malady and füring the past year he was barely able to move in bed for fear of breaking his bones, which had apparently turned to chalk. His arm has been broken several times recently by merely raising it from the bed. He leaves a large family to destitute circum-

-Connecticut politicians visited Govern Cleveland at Albany Tuesday to sak that their state be represented in the next cabinet. W. H. Barnum is the choice of the delega-

-Staten Island is excited over the discovery that the widow of Abram Britton has been married to a young Irish lad. Thomas McLoughlin, who for some time served as her coachman.

-The Atlantic express from Washington on the Baltimore and Onlo road, while run-ning 40 miles an hour, struck a broken rail near Bremen, Ind., Monday morning. The dining car and two sheeping-coaches were overturned and the dining car was borned up. Four of the cooks and waiters were badly burned and will probably die. There were 10 persons in the sleepers, none of whom were badly burt.

whom were badly hart.

—Forafathers' Day was commemorated at Delmonico's in New York Thursday night, where eloquent speeches were made by Hon. John D. Long, Henry Cabot Lodge, Gen. Sherman, Channesy M. Depew and others. In Boston there was an observance of the day by a dinner in Moste Hall, where speeches were made by a number of clergymen. At Salem, Mass., the Essex Ciab had as goests Gov. Bobinson, President Carter of Williams College, Geo. Swift and others. The first celebration of the day which ever occurred in Springfield was held the same evening. The New England society of Pennsylvania also observed the day by a banquet. sylvania also observed the day by a banquet, and speeches by Gen. Hawley and other prominent gentlemen.

-The treasury department has issued an order relative to the importation of rags which, it is understood, suits everybody. While importers are allowed the discretion between four medes of disinfection, it is un-derstood that sulphur fumes will be the fa-THE WAY THEY REEP THINGS LIVELY IN THE —One of the county seat wars in Dakots, that between Wilmot and Traverse, has broken out into active hostilities and very exciting times have been going on. Traverse won the latest victory in the courts, whereupon Wilmot men decided that action was necessary Accordingts a band of 100 men.

-At the hotel at Magnolia, Fia., last week,

the guests were enjoying green peas and strawberries from the hotel garden.

The thermometer marked 75° in the shade at New Orleans on Monday. There was a large attendance at the exposition. The great show is to be open on Sundays, but the managers have decided not to run any machinery and to require techniques and to require the techniques and the requirement of t machinery and to permit exhibitors who de-sire to do so to cover their exhibits on that day. A determined effort will be made to have Gov. Claveland visit the exposition after he retires from his present office.

-Mrs. Mary Fitch Folger, aged 100 year and 11 months, died at Hudson, N. Y., Mon day. Capt. Waiter Pease, who celebrated his 100th birthday, March 29, died Sunday evening at Enfield, Ct. He voted for Cleve-

Wm. E. Chandler Talks Back.

Secretary Chandler prints an open letter denying the charges of Chairman Jones of the National Republican committee, through anon-mons letter writers, that President Arthur and his cabinet did not give so much help in the election as the party had the right to expect of them. Mr. Chandler says they all desired Mr. Blains's election and did what they could to bring it about. The President sent Mr. Blaine a congratulatory telegram immediately after his nomination. Secretaries tiresham and Teller made speeches. Attorney General Brewster accepted invitations to speak in Philadelphia and would have kept too late. A despatch on Wednesday said:
The rival towns of Traverse and Wilmot in
Dakota have not yet wiped each other out.
The country was informed on Monday that a
fight might be expected, that all Traverse
was under arms, and that Wilmot desperadoes were hourly expected bent on getting
the county records and killing every inhabtant. A nation shivered to no purpose. appointments, but the meetings were on up. Mr. Lincoln spoke for Biaine in nois. Mr. Chandler did campaign work in New Hampshire. On the whole the ad-ministration did all that could have been rea-sonably expected, and Mr. Chandler is not sore, in view of the stress now laid on civil itant. A nation shivered to no purpose. Now it begins to be suspected that Eil Perkins of Mulhatton may be in Dakota. The latest despatch from Dakota says: The situation here remains unchanged. Additional arms have been secured and the place is well ervice reform, that it did not do too much, rather than too little. He also thicks that Mr. Jones, who was unknown in politics un-til he was made chairman of the committee, ought to have more evidence than he now has that the defeat was not due to his own inca-pacity before publicly undertaking to throw the blame on others. —Harrigan & Hart's Theatre Comique on Broadway, New York, was burned Tuesday morning with a loss of \$200,000. When dis-covered the fire had gained such headway that in an hour the building was gone. The firemen devoted their time to saving the resignifying blocks and streams from 12

The Bavenous Vermont Democracy. The Baltimore Sun (Dem.) has the follow-ng information: "A prominent Vermont Democrat says the Democracy of that little Commonwealth will not be exceeded in the vigor of the wild hunt for office by the Democracy of any other state. There are not many fat Federal offices in Vermont. The Collector of Internal Revenue gets only \$2,-250, the Collector of the Port of Burington about \$2,500, and there are perhaps a half 006. Neither the United States District At-torney nor the United States Marshal for the state have ever been able to work their fees up to so much as \$1000 per annum, but the

be as nearly fire-proof as possible. The the-atre had an interesting history. Robert But-ier, Jean Burnside, John A. Stevens, Elitott Barnes and others fatled in it and finally it beup to so much as \$1000 per annum, but the Vermonter says this makes no difference; that the clamor for every place down to the petty post office that pays \$5 a year will be immense and innordinate. He says that to use the term ravenous can give but the faintest idea of the burger and thurst of the long waiting Vermont Democracy for the flesh pots. What makes them more intense in this came a rehearsal hall, occupied by occasional combinations to give their pieces a New York send off. Denman Thompson first attracted attention there by playing Josh Whitcomb. The site was formerly occupied by Dr. Os. matter than their brother Democrats else where is, perhaps, to be found in the fact that they never even have a chance at the local offices, the Republicans holding everything." The only prominent Vermont Democrat who is at Washington is B. B. Smalley of the Demin Williamsburg, N. Y, were burned Sanday afternoon. The fire started with one of the naphtha tanks nearest the river, which exploded with a deafening sound. The burning oil scattered in every direction, and a few

(From the Springfield Republican.)
It appears not improbable that much minutes after another tank burst just in the rear. These two sent 10,000 barrels of flam-ing oil pouring into every nook and crevice the alleged Republican criticism of Sunator Edmunds up in Vermont can be traced to am-bitious persons who are filled with a desire to sit in the United States senate. The bottom fact is that the acknowledged leader of the on the north side into Bushwick creek, and continued to burn on the water's surface. Several small boats in the creek were envel-United States senate is entrenched in the hearts of his constituents to an extent almost unequaled elsewhere in the country. But the hopes of less able men than Mr. Edmunds houses in the neighborhood. The heat was intense. The noise of the seething flames could be heard blocks away. Explosion folmust be fed on something. The latest talk among the Green Mountains predicts that the senator is to become a judge indeed—and so justify many newspapers in previously giving lowed explosion and burning masses were carried up and far away by the wind. Thous-ands of spectators gathered in the heavy rain and stood under their dripping unbrei-las watching the conflagration. A dividing him the title—by going on the supreme bench as Justice Bradley's successor. Then Henry Powers of the state supreme court and ex-Govs. Smith and Proctor would all sapire to wall which had been built in the yard to pre-vent fire from going beyond it by 3 o'clock was cracked by the great heat and came down the United States senate.

Will He Satisfy the Expectations!"

preme. The wind shifting again and blow-ing from the river enabled the fire-boats to work against the flames. But the firemen on 'How about the Independents ? "We do not know that the Independents want anything from the Democratic party. To be sure, the Democracy feel very kindly bers of one engine company had to abandon their engine to save their lives. The flames could not be stayed until all the buildings toward the gentlemen who have so kindly as-

and tanks except the large brick huilding in which the canning is done, were destroyed. The fire continued to burn on Monday, but no more tanks exploded. The loss will be "What position will the Southern Democra-cy take?" 'In common with every other interest, they nearly \$1,000,000. About 700 men are

"In common with every other interest, they will receive recognition,"

"Will he [Cleveland] satisfy the expectations of the party?"

"Yes, I feel confident that he will not only satisfy the members of his own party, but will so conduct affairs as to bring to himself the regard of the best elements of the country."

What will be the policy toward the civil-"I told Mr. Pendleton before his bill was ed that civil service reform was a very passed that civil service reform was a very nice thing, but he ought to wait until the Democrats should first get into power and fill the offices with good and reliable men before he urged any such bill on the country. Seri-ously, however, I would say that there is no reason to suppose that good, competent Dem-ocrats caunot be obtained to fill all the offices created by the change, and I look to Cleve-land's administration being in every series a and's administration being in every sense s Democratic one. The only place where I do not look for wholesale changes is in the city of Washington. I think that many of the department clerks will very likely be retained,

Bea Butler's Pinances.

[From the Washington Capital]
It seems almost incredible that Ben Butler is hard up, but such is believed by many peo-ple to be the fact. The recent transaction by which he placed a \$20,000 morigage on two of his Capitol Hill houses was quite astonish-ing to a multitude of people. It has been ing to a multitude of people. It has been believed that Butler was always able to draw his check for at least \$100,000. He has been reputed to earn that amount by his law prac-tice every year, and 15 years ago he was

worth more than \$1,000,000. The common explanation of Butler's finan-cial condition is that he has spent a great deal more money in politics this year than he can immediately command; that he had no prop-erty that he wished to sell, or could not sell except at a sacrifice, and therefore was com-pelled to mortgage his houses. The money was raised by Mr. Cassell in Philadelphia. It be felt and by noon on Monday there had been a rise of about 50 degrees.

The mountain railroads in the far west are blocked with snow, some of them, as in the vicinity of Leadville, hopelessly so. Last

year it was February before serious block-ades occurred.

—Richard Coyle, a freego painter, died at Bridgeport, Conn., Monday, aged 40. Hs

It is said that Butler borrowed in all through Cannoll \$100,000: Thirty thousand dollars was loaned to him for use in the campaign in which he was defeated for governor of Mass-achusetts, and \$70,000 was borrowed in September last. He gave his note for \$10,000, payable in February next, and a mortgage on the two houses for the balance.

The Silver Folly. Government buys monthly two million dol-lars' worth of silver bullion. Coined into buzzard dollars, it is legal tender for \$2,550, 000. During the past six years we have no od twenty seven millions of silver dollars a year, and of the twenty-seven millions coined last year the government has only forced a million and a tast into circulatios. The oth-or twenty-five and a half millions are stored or twenty-five and a half millions are stored up in expensive vaults, the people refusing to take them. On December 1, 1882, there was in the treasury wants \$40,709,801; on December 1, 1883, \$122,303,245, and on December 1, 1883, \$140,549,786—5fry-three million silver dollars more stored up in 1884 than we had two years before that date. Each year while this law remains on the statute book there must be about twenty-six million more dollars to have: book there must be about twenty-six million more dollars to barrel. The maximum of circulation of these dollars has been reached,—out of the hundred and eighty-five millions coined only forty millions being in circulation. Every new dollar coined must be stored, for business refuses to accept it. And it must all be sold at some future time as builton, aniess the United States is to pay her debts with \$3 cents on the dollar. The float grantly of this law, if controval must be a second of this law. lion, unless the United States is to pay her debts with Scients on the dollar. The final result of this law, if continued, must be a sole metallic standard of silver and a certainty of gold bankruptey. The law originated in the desire to please the capitalists of the silver producing states. It is now maintained at a national expense of about \$4,000,000 a year in the burden of interest on the first cost of the silver; and it is high time, as advised by the President and Secretary, that the law be revoked.

| From the Buston Herald | The Democrats at Washington should not e amused at the reports from Vermont which idicate that the long suffering hunkers in the Green Mountain state are "hungrier for the loaves and fishes than are the Democrats in any southern state." Why shouldn't they be? It is now meatly a quarter of a century since one of them held a federal office, and the Republican supremacy has been so com-plete that precious few of them have had a chance at a state or local office. In the south the latter offices are all filled by Domocrats. The Vermont appetite is not a subject for bilarity. It is a serious yearning.

Why thutning is litted. Since Cleveland and Hendricks were elected

ine has gone from 88 cents per ounce to When a bundred men want a post-office and they know only one can get, it makes the ninety and nine pretty shaky. There is no telling how high quinine will register by

The Bennington Battle Monument. The managers of the Bennington baille monument association have unanimously voted to accept the design of Prof. Weir. The design is for a monument of rough granite some 50 feet high, surmounted by a statue 15 feet high. The statue will represent General Stark or the figure of one of his "minute." Stark or the figure of one of his "minute men" that won the famous fight. The shaft will be of unbewn granite, irregular in form, suggestive of the character of the age and of the country, converging toward the top. On the corners of the base at the foot of the shaft are designed to stand four bronze stat-ues eight feet high, representative of those who took part in the fight and its incide 's. These need not be portraits of individuals, but types of the time and the event; the far-mer and the artisan turning from their avocaous to take up arms to resist invasion; th woman of the time, not less memorable than the man, sheltering her child from the com-ing storm; the minister of religion, whose words animated his flock and invoked upon them the divine benediction. These sculp-tures, if competently designed and executed, will express most furcibly the event which is to be signalized, and, what is much more, the national spirit of which that event was the

Bibles for All the World. A reporter of a New York daily paper called at the office of the American Bible society the other day and gives the following account

of his interview "Can you tell me how many Bibles you dispose of annually?"
"Last year, in the United States we sold

1,387,051 Bibles, Testaments and portions. In foreign lands we disposed of 4,151,164."

over the world where the American mission ary works, some of the latest being Russia Brazil, Mexico, Cuba, Spain, Torkey, Japan. China, Chili, Uruguay and the Argentine re-

"How do you dispose of the books?"
"We have 300 colporteurs at work all over
the country. These men visit the houses of
the poor and if they find no Bible in the place, give one. During the last year they donated 78,775 copies and sold 302,606, the total value of these being \$137,798.87. They visited 1.217,215 families, and found 103,037 had no Bible, 101,489 were supplied; the others refused to accept one as no member of the family could read."

"Is there any profit on these books?"
"None at all, our publications are sold at oost, the institution being supported entirely by voluntary contributions." 'Is this institution as large as the British

"Is this institution as large as the British and foreign Bible society?"

"No, that society is 12 years older than we are and considerably larger. In foreign fields we work largely logether and the two societies are on the most friendly relations. That society has placed about 75,000,000 copies of the Scripture in circulation in almost every country in the world and has expended over £8,000,000 sterling in having it translated and printed in above 200 languages." The reporter then called on a firm publish

ing the revised version and asked how that "It seems to have been a failure so far, and selling them at five cents is only to clear out

Then it has not interfered with the sale of the old version."
"Not at all, and is not likely to." When is the revision of the whole Bible

o be placed in the hands of the public?"
"Some time next year. The revision com-nittee have finished their work and it is now u the bands of the printer, who will turn it ot shortly."
"Do you think it will be adopted by the burches and public in preference to the old

"That I can't say ; certainly not in this

MERGIN NOTES.

Wm. M. Evarts has written an open letter ormally announcing himself as a candidate sefore the New York legislature for election o the United States senate.

The House has passed a bill, by a two-thirds vote, making the bead of the depart-ment of agriculture a cabinet officer. The November Century is on the press for the fourth time. the fourth time. The first edition of the February number, containing Geo. Grant's "Shileh," will be 175,000. Democratic Congressmen are so "pestered" with applications for offices from the "hungry and thirsty" that some of them have laid

o a stock of printed postal cards for replies, stating that the said applications have been received and will receive consideration at the The annual review of the Gloucester figher ies brings to public notice the dangers, the distress and suffering occasioned by a sea-faring life. Liest year 16 vessels and 131 lives were lost, leaving 50 widows and 66 fatherless children.

It is stated, "on good authority," that Gen. Buller has signed a contract with a New York firm to write for them his political remin-iscences. The work is to be in two volumes, and Gen. Butler is to receive for it \$50,000

and a small royalty. and a small royalty.

According to a New York correspondent,
Edward Stokes, the murderer of Jumes Fish,
jr., is againg very rapidly, and though the
general opinion is that he glories in his homiddal reputation, those who know him perioldai reputation, those who know him per-sonally aver he is the saddest man alive, and indulges in every known social and aporting device to dissipate the awful memory of his ineffaceable crime. In manners he is the most elegant gentleman imaginable, having that courtly, quiet bearing which avidences beyond a doubt his native refinement and aris-touratic associations. He is very fond of beyond a doubt his native refinement and aris-torratic associations. He is very fond of horse racing and the theatre. As a comois-seur of statuary, painting, music and horse-fiesh he stands unrivalled in this country. He has recently popularized himself in high-toned religious circles by tendoring his magnificent suite of rooms at the Hoffman House for the display of bric a-brac and other fancy articles on sale for a charitable purpose authorized by a church committee.

-The milkmen beld a meeting last Satur-—The milkmen beld a meeting last Saturday and agreed to adopt wine measure without present change of price—i.e., the price to be six cents per quart in winter and five in summer—and the arrangement went into effect Wednesdey morning. This action, which practically advances the present price of milk about one cent a quart, has awaken—day carriest protest arroas the mechanics

Local Intelligence.

cters' Insurance company. Its worth is invaluable to its ent is emali. Codworth & Childs represent th

Diarton, Almanace and Registers at Chancy & Clapp' ARTISTIC PICTURE PRAMIES AT Cheney & Clapp's. I have erveral Pianos box Buggies and Conrord Wa tons which I will exchange for lumber on favorable orms, or will sell them these for cash, J. T. MILDREYS.

PICTURE PHANCE are cheap at Chenny & Clapp's.

Brattlebere -Remember Kate Field's lecture to mor -The Vermont National bank declares its usual semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent. -Col. Estay returned Wednesday night from his month's business visit to Atlanta, Ga.

... Crowell has a force of about 15 men em loyed upon his quarry, getting out founda--Our thanks are due to Mr. J. T. Herrick of West Dummerston for some fine spec mens of winter pears. -At a meeting of the creditors of U. W. Frink, held on Monday, Alonzo Starkey was

bosen assignes of the estate.

-Mrs. Thomas Martin had one bons of r left arm broken above the wrist, Wednesday, by a fall upon the sidewalk. -"The Association News," published in the interest of the Brattleboro Y. M. C. A., begins its second volume doubled in size.

-The children of the Congregational Sunday will be a that a light of the Congregational Sunday will be achieved will be a that a light of the congregational Sunday will be selected will be a light of the congregational Sunday will be selected will be a light of the congregational Sunday will be selected will be selected. day school will have their holiday entertain

nt at the chapel next Tuesday evening. -A Christman service will be held in the Baptist church next Sunday morning. In the evening the Sunday school will give a Christ-

—The times may be "hard," but the post and express offices have nevertheless had their usual rush of Christmas business, both outgoing and incoming.

—A genuinely-typical New England Christmas day yesterday—clear, cold, and snowy. The featival was universally kept, and all the stores were closed after 12 o'clock.

Next Sanday morning the services at the niversalist church will be appropriate to bristmas. In the evening at the usual bour there will be a Christmas concert.

—Among Crowell's recent purchases of real estate is that of two adjoining pasture lots lying on the east side of the road leading over the hill south of O. L. Miner's, and owned by D. S. Pratt. Wood's stove store has received some no-table internal improvements in the past few days, and when his new stock, now arriving.

is in place, will present a very attractive ap-- John S. Cutting has sold his balf interest in the old Cutting homestead, in the south-west part of the town, to his brother He :ry, and is looking about with the view of locat-

ing elsewhere in town. The Methodist Sunday school had a parularly happy time on Christmas eve at the hurch vestry, where supper was served and hristmas gifts were distributed by old Santa

Claus in propria persona.

The parishioners of St. Michael's (Episcopal) church will hold their annual festival at Grosby hall next Monday evening at seven clock, and there will be a Christmas tree for -Muster Frank Goodhue, who is home for

the holidays from his school in Southbridge, Mass., gave a pleasant Christmas party to a company of his young friends at the Brooks House last evening. The cut of the wages of Central Vermont

employes, which include those on the New London Northern and narrow-gange reads, amounts to from one dollar to five dollars a month. Engineers are cut 15 cents a day. -The severe weather which prevailed last Sonday compelled the postponement of the special Christmas service which was to have been given at the Unitarian church. It will be given next Sunday at the usual hour of

- An Owstonna Minn, subscriber writing der date of Dec. 16, says: "Thermomesnap of the season; just snow enough to make sleighing. No. 1 wheat 50 cts. per bushel, oats 20, corn 25."

-At the Catholic church Christmas was observed by the customary services of mid-night mass, morning service at 5 a M.; high mass at 10:30; vespers and benediction in the evening. The church was handsomely -No publication in The Phosuix has ever

—Taylor's village sleigh is out this week from Rockwell & Sherwin's shop, rebuilt, re-painted, newly upholatered, and drawn by a new span of handsome dapple grays. The railroad men pronounce it the best team that runs to a train between Springfield and Mont-

-The annual meeting of the First Baptist church, Tuesday evening, resulted in the choice of Rev. F. E. Tower, moderator; L.

E. Higby, clerk and treasurer; L. W. Hawley, auditor; J. E. Jacobs, J. E. Hall, L. W. Hawley, S. H. Sherman, J. H. Holden, stand--Mrs. George Bliss, while crossing Main street near the People's bank, Tuesday after-noon, was knocked down and run over by a Guilford team, receiving some severe brilless which have since confined her to her room. Two teams were approaching her from oppo-

site directions, and in seeking to avoid one she failed to escape the other.

—The new stove store of White & Galvin will be in 'running order' in a few days. They have purchased a new supply of tools throughout, and their stock of kitchen ranges. parlor stoves, etc., already received, em-braces some of the most desirable patterns,

as will be seen by reference to their adver-Not all of the attractive shop windows are on Main street. Those of Retting Broth-ers' furniture establishment on High street contain a very fine display in the form of a parlor scene, wherein specimens of their fine assortment of goods abow the effect of tasteful grouping, and give a hist of the very complete stock to be found within.

-The Baptist Sunday school had a supper in the vestry on Christmas eve, together with a magic matern exhibition, the reading of a Christmas story by Mr. L. W. Hawley, singing by Miss Mozart, and the distribut presents to the juvenile members from two Christmas trees. The room was very taste-fully trimmed, and the occasion well enjoyed

-A well filled house laughed for two ho over Sol Smith Russell's impersonation of the lackadaisteal nephew in "Nunky," as given by the Boston Moseum company at the town hall last Friday evening. Mr. Russell acts the part with perfection of detail, and doubles the fun by his apparent unconsciousness of his own part in creating it.

his own part in creating it.

—At the regular meeting of the Sovereigns of Industry, held last evening, the following officers were elected; J. M. Allen,
president; C. W. Puffer vice president; S.
W. Kimball, secretary; L. L. Davis, treasurer; J. M. Dugan, steward; John Orton.
ass't steward; C. W. Lyman, inside guard;
H. J. Joy, outside guard; L. M. Howe, D.
W. Tenney, executive committee. W. Tenney, executive committee. -Tuesday's good weather and good sleigh

ing brought one of the best day's trades to Brattleboro merchants which they have ever seen, but the storm which prevailed all day on Wednesday interfered somewhat with the day-before Christmas business. The dealers report a more than satisfactory holiday trade on the whole, though probably the high-water mark of some previous years has not been

-Chas. D. Barrett, who has been in the —Chas D. Barrett, who has been in the amploy of the Morgan Euvelope company of Springfield, Mass., for the past year and a half, received a handsome Christmas gift from the company in th. form of a notice of promotion to the post of foreman of their printing department. The company have 15 presses, employ ten hands, and can turn out 195,000 impressions per day. This is a deserved recognition for faithful service, which gives releasure to all of Mr. Barrett's Brattleives pleasure to all of Mr. Barrett's Brattle

ed au earnest protest among the mechanics of the village, and we learn that a meeting

of the Union Protective association has been called for to morrow evening to make arrangements for establishing a competing routs by which the field may be obtained at

route by which the fluid may be contained as a less price.

—Wallace Bruce's little posm, published elsewhers, has a local interest for the readers of The Pheenix. Many of them still remember the "Snow Augei" as it appeared one New Year's morning, having been modeled in a single night by the skillful hands of our then young townsman and artist, Larkin G. Mead, now of Floreoce, Italy. The poem appears in Harper's Magazine for January, accompanied by a full page illustration of the "Snow Augei" as reproduced in marble by Mr. Mead, with the conception of the artist more fully elaborated than was possible in the perishable material used in the first instance. The marble statue is now in New York city, in the art store of Schneider, Campbell & Co. on Union Square.

—Dr. M. L. Bruce was handsomely remem-

-Dr. M. L. Bruce was handsomely remem-bered Christmas eve. Entering his office af-ter a brief absence he found that Santa Claus had been in and slipped away unobserved, leaving an elegant gold-headed cane and two beautiful engravings, appropriately framed, one bearing the title of "Roses," and the oth one bearing the title of "Rosss," and the other that of "The Rising Moon," copies of which may have been recently seen at Chency & Ciapp's. Accompanying the gifts was an explanatory note bearing the names of ii) of the doctor's patrons. After his 12 years of professional practice here, such a handsome testimonial is psculiarly gratifying, and be desires through The Phonix to express his besetfall thanks.

-The asylum family ate their usual Christmas dinner yesterday, and in the svening the patients gathered in the handsome, cosychap-el to see a second presentation of Wikis Collins' 'No Name,' a few friends from outside enjoying the occasion with them. The stage appointments are by all means the best in town, and on this occasion, as on many previous ones, the leading parts were excel-The Phomix desires especially atly taken. extend its unreserved congratulations to Lawton on his eminent success, both as "moral agriculturist" and as a "practitionwhose pills have cared (?) the world, inting that estimable and attractive lady, his

The cold wave from Manitoha which had struck this section as we went to press last Friday, shut down during the day and night with a grip like grim death. Saturday more ing the mercury marked all the way from 14' to 16' below zero in Brattleboro to 28' below at West Dover. Sunday morning brought a driving snow storm with a below-zero tem-perature. From that time to Monday after-noon there was a rise in temperature of 40° Since Tuesday genuine "Christmas weather has prevailed, with enow storms and cold weather mingled after the true New England fashion. Wednesday night a cold, "aitting" wind prevailed which made "hard wheeling" on the railroads and caused de-

The community are indebted to C. L. Howe & Son for one of the most interesting and valuable souvenirs of the holiday season. This consists of a series of 29 artotype reproductions of photographs of Brattlebero atrests, buildings and scenery. These views include all the churches, the new railroad delices the productions of policy and second at the community of the second control of the community station, the new school building. Main street with the new Hooker and Ryther blocks, the Estey shops, the common, the toll bridge, views from cemetery hill and Crowell's park. several street views, and much the best view of the Vermont Asylum and its grounds which has yet been made. The two views from Wantsstiquet, with which the series opens, take in the whole village in bird's-eye and are glyph" process gives all the distinctness and fidelity of a photograph, with the softness and durability of an engraving. Former Brattleboro residents will find this neatly bound collection a real delight. Its remark-ably low price, only \$2.25 by mail, has already given it a large sale. -Rev. William Henry Channing, a widely-

known Unitarian minister, and a man personally known and remembered by many people in Brattleboro, diod at his home in London, Eng., Tuesday night. Hs was born in Boston in 1810. He was a nephew of the emi-nent Unitarian divine, William Ellery Chan-ning, was graduated from the Cambridge di-vinity school in 1833, and had his first set-tlement over the Unitarian church in Cincia. nati. In 1857 he went to England as James Martinean's successor in the Liverpool church, but his love for his native land brought him back at the opening of the rebellion, and he became pastor of the Unitarian church in Washington. At the close of the war he re-turned to England and had since lived in London, his daughter. Fanny Chauning, beand edutor in chief of the London Telegraph.

Mr. Channing made periodic visits to this country, and on such occasions always came to Brattleboro to visit his friends and relacalled out more expressions of approval than that of last week on the town ball acction business. The feeling in the community is strong, and it universally condemns such use of the town's property.

—F. W. Childs received an invoice of bright new gold dollars from his brother in
San Francisco this week. They are fresh
from the mint in that city, but as their coinage has been stopped by the government, they
had to be bought of a broker at a premium. lican cause was perceptibly felt up to the day of the election.

of the election.

—The following is the list of letters remaining in the Hrattleboro post-office, Dec. 26:
Ladies.—Alma Briggs, Mollis Baker, Carrie H. Cook, Sellis Duno, Elizabeth Duno, Mrs Flirevice Forler, Mary Sire, Nette Strong, Harrist M. Whitney, Mrs. Mary J. Witson.
Gentlemen.—Henry T. Akley, Frank Baker, G. W. Davis, H. L. Davesport, W. C. Eager, C. S. Fisk, H. A. Hammund, N. Z. Bandhin, Louis Lausers, Wm. S. Myers, Wm. Meanery, Gro. H. Parker, August Both, Fred B. Simpson, Joseph Stebhins, E. A. Taylor, G. B. Talcott, M. D., G. D. Wilber, Chas, Williams, H. L. Wenlsworth—Z. Henry A. Winnship, Leeter A. Ward.

Missellaneous-Chatdler & Estes.

THE MILE QUESTION.

Mr. Editor: There is universal dissatis faction among wilk consumers in this village with the change made by the dealers from with the change made by the dealers from heer to wine measure, without a correspond-ing change in price. Milk has heretofore been sold by what is known as "beer meas-ure," and the change, under the new law, is to "wine measure." The difference is this: A gallon beer measure is 282 cable inches, while a gallon wine measure is 231 cubic inches. In other words, if the consumer paid six cents for the old quart, he should pay a little less than five cents (4 915-1000 cts.) for the new than five cents (4 915-1000 cts.) for the new than five cents (4 915-1000 cts.) for the new quart—six of the wine quarts being a trifle less than five of the beer quarts. Now is there any valid reason, aside from the pretext offered by a very foolish law, why the consu-mers of milk should be compelled to pay 20 per cent more for that article to day than they paid last week, and especially in these days of which work and low wares and of low days of slack work and low wages, and of low er prices too, for almost everything else? Most decidedly not. Let the dealers, then, give us the old quart for the old price (six cents), or the new quart for five cents. One or the other they must do, if they would avoid a general rebellion against what is universally

regarded as a palpable extertion. A Consumer. SATURDAY, DEC. 20. CHRISTMAS-DAY.

West Brattleboro. -A new fine-toned piano bas just been pur-chased for the use of Glenwood seminary.

-The Sunday schools connected with both churches celebrated Christmas on Wednesday churches celebrated Christmas on Wednesday evening—the Baptist school, at their church, with music, recitations, declamations, and a well-filled Christmas tree, and the Congrega-tional school by performing the cantata of "Santa Claus," which, considering the inex-perience of the performers in that kind of music, was exceedingly well done.

There is to be a stereoptison exhibition at the Congregational church next Thursday evening for the benefit of the Sunday school.

-Huntoon's orchestra of Bellows Falls clayed for the opening ball at the hotel Wedvisiting her mother, Mrs. C. E. Perham. -O. K. Rounds has moved to Athens. —The singing schools will be continued un-der the direction of Prof. H. H. Kimball of Saxtons River. D.

Dummerston. -There will be a musical and literary entertainment at the vestry of the Congrega-tional church on Tuesday evening, Dec. 30th, at 7:30, after which will be served an oyster

-There will be a donation at the Baptist parsonage for the benefit of the paster Tues-tay evening, Dec. 30. All are cordially in-_____

-Rev. F. E. Tower will preach a Christman sermon at B-thany mission next Sunday at 2:50 p. m. Singing by choir from Brutle-boro. The mission will have a tree and fea-

boro. The mission will have a tival at the church next Wednesday when a pleasant time is anticipated Suttford Centre. —A very pleasant Christmas service was held in the Universalist church Thursday night. The church was tastefully decorated, int. The chirch was takened trees. A re-buding two heavily loaded trees. A re-mitre service, recitations, dialogues and nic flusly rendered, reflecting great cred-upon the superintendent, Mrs. Smith, open the superintendent, and the members of the Sunday school. The presents were many and varied, including a generous and of money for the pastor, Rev. E. W. Whitney, to be spent in replanishing his library. The church was growded and all entered into the spirit of the occasion.

-There will be services in the church next

Sunday at 10:30 A. M. -The debating society will meet at the school house to morrow (Saturday) evening,
-"L. C." has had another spasse; but, baying one of Poor Richard's almanage at his command, has at last, by way of quotation, shown some "common sense" in using Ben Franklin's saws instead of that " little hatchwhich he wishes to cremate. Borrowed

-The ladica' aid society will meet with Mrs. C. H. Higley next Thursday afternoon and evening. All are invited to attend and begin the new year together. West Waltfax.

—The annual meeting of the agricultural society will be held here on Saturday, Jan. 3, at 2 r. M., to choose officers for 1885. A full

attendance of members is desired. -The mercury touched 22 below furing the cold wave of last week. - Juel Davis's house except fire last week by a coal snapping on to a bad, but the blaze was put out after burning nearly through the bed.

The sad news of the sudden death of Rev. Origen Smith, pastor of the Baptist church in this town, was received with surprise and deep sorrow. The writer, when a resident of Wilmington some 30 years ago, formed an agreeable acquaintance with Mr. Smith, which has been continued and Mr. Field. strengthened as time and circumstance have favored. Extended remarks from your cor-respondent would be ill-timed, for such will come from more able and appropriate sources. but he cannot refrain from expressing, as a voluntary though feeble tribute to his memo-ry, an appreciation of his many excellent qualities of head and heart, life and charac-

qualities of head and heart, life and charac-ter, as a man and unitister. Mr. Smil he was a peaceable citizen, a safe counselor, a judi-cious adviser, a faithful pastor; in a word, an exemplary man in all the relations of life. He leaves the rich legacy of a virtuous life, and his memory will be fragrant in after -Mr. Fred W. Chase, one of our most aclive and enterprising young farmers, is selling his personal property and will sell his valuable farm which in a few years past he greatly improved, and in about two nths will go West to engage more extensively in farming interests upon a large stock farm at Butler, Paronee county, Neb. A lover of work, free from bad habits, energet-ic, persevering—the best material for mak-ing good society, with a true helpmest—such a family will be a felt loss to this communi ty, and cannot fail to add much to any place to which they may go. The best wishes of a large circle of friends go with them for success in their new position and prosperity

a all after life. -Dec. 20th, mercury 28° below zero. -Late snows have made the sleighing very

The members of Vermont Lodge, No. 819. Knights of Honor, celebrated the anniversary of the organization of their lodge by giving a grand promenade concert and ball at Glen House ball on Friday evening last, about 50 couples present notwithstand ing the extreme cold weather. The Brattle-boro First Regiment band orchestra furnishboro First Regiment band orchestra furnished music of the most acceptable kind. The occasion was one of much enjoyment.

The camp fire of Fost Scott, G. A. R., at opera ball on Friday evening of last week, was fully a success, a large crowd being in attendance, and all much pleased with the very fine entertainment, for which the post is largely indebted to the efforts of Commandar Wardwall. The post has just sent in a peer Wardwell. The post has just sent in a petition to Congress in favor of a general per sion law with 550 names of legal voters, 51 Sprague in 15 days. If every post in the nty wiil do as well Congress will listen to logan of the veterans

-Wales Cheney had the misfortune to fall from a staging at his new house two weeks ago last Saturday, injuring one ankle so he can not step with that foot yet. Not insured. -Frank Monroe, one of the old tanner; hands of F. W. Perry & Son, has been laid up with rheumatism for about five weeks. tional church for the coming year held or Tuesday of this week, we are sorry to kard did not bring quite the usual amount. We are afraid the society do not all appreciate this labors of Rev. O. G. Baker at their true value. We learn that it was through his per

value. We learn that it was through his per-severance that the necessary funds were raised for the purchase of the very fine new organ that has been put into the church, the list price being \$6.00. We understand the veteran organist J. A. Dutton, calls it the finest toned organ in town, -L. N. Sprague, agent for the Monumental Branze Co., of Bridgeport, Ct., for Windham county, is having quite a lively trade in white bronze monuments this month owing to a new price list that takes effect Jan. 1st raising the price on their goods about 50 per cent., although they will still be as cheap as marble or gravite and are claimed to be much

nore enduring than either. -The Christmas tree and festival at the Baptist church on Wednesday evening brought out a fair crowd notwithstanding the bad weather. All report a good time. The town hall was crowded last night, the occasion being the Christmas festival of the Congregational society. An oyster supper was served from 6 to 8 o'clock, after which the presents were distributed. All voted it a first-class festival.

Newfane. THE NEW SAVINGS BANK BUILDING.

AN ACCOUNT OF THE INTERESTING "OPENING EXERCISES HELD ON TUESDAY. For several years past the directors of this astitution have realized that in the near future it would be necessary to provide larger and safer quarters for its securities and ever-increasing records. Accordingly a desirable building lot was secured two years ago, and last January it was decided to erect a new building the coming season, with a fire-proof vanit, and the building itself to be practically fire proof. Jos. J. Green, A. B. Balley and I. K. Batchelder were elected a building committee, and early in Aprils they commenced their work. They turned it over to the direc-tors December 23, complete in all its appoint

ments, and this was deemed an occasion that should be commemorated with a dedication service in bonor of the founders of the insti-

In pursuance of this plan Mr. and Mrs. Da In persuance of this plan Mr. and Mrs. Da-videon invited the present board of directors, with their wives and a few friends, to dise with them, and the president and directors invited the general public to visit the new building and see and liear for thomselves what might be said of its past and present life. The dinner was an affair complete in all that sustains body and wind, and will be all that sustains body and mind, and will b long remembered by all who partook of the generous hospitality of the bost and hostess At its close the party proceeded to the old banking room and bade adisu to the spowhere the institution has carned its present position among the savings banks of the state. From thence they proceeded to the new building, taking with them the original leather trunk and pocket book that received the

rst deposits.
On reaching the business room of the n On reaching the business room of the new bank they found a fine large picture of the late venerable treasurer, Austin Birchard, placed upon the walls through the kindness of the family. The meeting was called to order by the president, Samuel D. Winslow, M., who then read a very complete and interesting historical sketch of the bank and its officers from its commencement to the present day, giving their names, the date of their election to office, and the time they held the office. From this sketch we have only time to condense a few of the more important items.

The charter was obtained through our member of the legislature, Charles K. Field, Dec. 6, 1853. The original corporators w re Chapin Howard, Wm. B. Shatter, John Rob-orts, Austin Birchard, Marshall Newton and Wm. L. Williams, and their first meeting was held at the inn of John W. Perry (now kept by Worster & Sun). At this meeting the Hon. John Roberts was elected president,

Emory Wheelock vice president, and Wm. R. Shafter, Wm. Harria, James H. Phelps, Daniel Read, Preston F. Perty, Lewis S. Walker, Thomas White, Jonas Twitchell, Wm. L. Williams, Aaron C. Robinson, John Rice, Ir. Marshall Newton, Franklin Sawyer, Jacob Dunkice, Jr., and Close, K. Fisid, triadem. Of this body of men the only ones now living are the Hon. Emory Wheelock of Grand Rapids, Mich., who made his presence felt by an excellent letter of congratulation, the Hon. James H. Phelps of Townsbeed, who way present by letter, and L. S. Walker of Grafton, who sent a telegram. The first deposit, of \$2, was made by Heary K. Field, a young son of C. K. Field, Feb. 7, 1854; the second deposit, of \$5, was by Mary Field, now Mrs. H. C. Willard of Brattlebore; the third deposit, of \$700, was made Feb. 28 by Gilman Emerson of Damnerston; the fourth, of \$400, by William Winchester of Mariocro, March 6, The first loan, \$31, was made to the town of Newtane. The deposits the first year amounted to \$11,000,72, and for the first ten years to \$101,117.19. Ten years later, 1874, the total deposits amounted to \$345,427.02, by 1511 depositors, which, after deducing withdrawais, left \$176,431.39, and a surplus of \$7,637.40. The total deposit and dividend in the bank June 30, 1884, was \$200. dividend in the bank June 30, 1884, was \$300-307.77. Of this amount a surplus, \$16,210. 39, romains after having declared Jour extra dividends—in 50, %4, %3 and 714—and a regular dividend of 25 per cent semi-annually until July, 1864, from then to '77 of 3 per cent, and since then of 25 per cent. In Jan-nary, 1874, Mr. Birchard, at the advanced age of 80 and after 20 years' service as treas rer, retired, and the present treasurer wa

elected.

There is more in this paper that should be given to the public, but lack of time forbids. At its close a series of interesting and pertinent toasts were given the various members of the present board of directors and others, most of which met with responses which brought out hearty cheers from the audience. Among these responses was a posm read by Mrs. Winslow, wife of President Winslow. Mr. Davidson then read one of those clean. Mr. Davidson then read one of those clean laughable poems of his that he alone knows how to cut and make to order,—one that to be appreciated must be heard and the parties be appreciated most be heard and the parties and circumstances related known. Hon, J. M. Tyler, who was present as the representative of the first depositor, was then called upon in response to a toast to the legal fracterity, and made a short, pertinent speech, giving some pleasant remunscences of young Field and telling how he earned his first more resulting angles at the fact. ey peddiing apples at the fair. At its close he made the first deposit in the new bank for

Mr. Field.

—A large and life-like crayon portial of the late Hon. Austin Birebard, the former treasurer of the Windham County assings bank—the work of the well-known artist, Mrs. M. M. Miller of Brattleboro—graces the walls of the new bank building. Throuthe kindness of Mrs. Birchard it was play n position Tuesday morning before the for mal tank opening took place.

—The Sunday school Christmas tree affair

—The Sunday school Christmas tree affair Wednesday evening passed off much as usual, with many happy children in attendance. Prizes were given those who had not missed in attendance at Sunday school during the year, and the superintendent, Mr. Burditt, was specially remembered in slight token of acknowledgment of many years' faithful arr--Favetteville dramatic club and others will

give the entertainment of the winter at Union hall Jan. 2, when the drams, "Ten Nights in will be played, and mu a Bar-room, will be played, and thusters in mished by the Higgins quartet, which alone is worth price of admission. An oysfer sup-per will give everybody an opportunity to per will give everybody an opportunity to examine the new dining-room in the half, so long desired and needed, and towards the expense of which the proceeds of the evening will be devoted. Those who believe in 'a time to dance' will remain for that purpose. It is hoped to realize a substantial sum for a public benefit.

The W. C. T. U. members are in receipt of the happy thought from Brattleboro union in the shape of a bijou paper printed and il-lustrated to give "Christmas Greeting," and so named on its cover. -A Happy New Year to all-the merry

the foriors among us, if any such there he, the sick, the old, the children, those in bonds at the jail—with hopes that all of us will do better another year, keep our good resolu-tions, our temperance pledges, and do some-thing to help on good works in general—first, perhaps, presching in our village church -The Universalist fair at the town hall last Friday evening, considering the extreme in-

clemency of the weather, was a success be yond the most sanguine expectations. Th gross proceeds amounted to nearly \$100. —The mercury last Saturday morning stood at 20° below zero and Monday following at 32° above zero in the morning. -Next Tuesday evening Prof. C. M. Ruselecutionary readings in the Congregations church. This will conclude the series of en-tertainments of the citizens' course. W.

-Dr. Holton gave a very interesting and instructive address Tuesday evening in the —J. Bolster, E-q., the agent of The Pho-nix, will receive new subscriptions and re-newals for this paper, and also for Good Cheer, Our Country Home and the Mirror and Farmer. Specimen copies can be ob-tained through him.

-The ladies' circle will meet with Mrs. George Witt, "West Northfield," next Wednesday afternoon and evening.

-Rev. E. W. Whitney will give the first of a series of lectures in the Universalist church next Monday 7 r. st. The subject will be "The Price of Excellence." All are

Williamsville. —The Christmas services at the Universalist church Wednesday evening were quite interesting. A tree and Santa Claus, music and recitations were the order of the evening, varied a little from the "old, old story."

Woodford City. -The eleventh anniversary of the dedica-tion of the Union Christian church was observed Dec. 21st. Notwithstanding the inserved Dec. 21st. Notwithstanding the in-clemency of the weather, a goodly number of people gathered to hear the evangelist, Rev. D. Moody of Troy, N. Y., who gave a dis-course appropriate to the occasion. Mr. Moody founded this church in 1873, and was for one year its pastor. His text was from Romans 11:4, and the sermon was an able presentation of the blessings, privileges and duties of God's church on the serth.

luties of God's church on the earth Westminster West. and our citizens are getting over their ner-ousness. The Campbells, whose barns were burned a year ago, have erected one of the finest barns in the county. D. C. Gorham, whose barns were burned last October, has built a temporary shelter for his stock and is now getting out timber preparatory to build-ing next spring. G. C. Harlow, who test both barns and dwelling house by fire in November, will not rebuild on the old site, but will purchase a place in the village if he can find one on suitable terms.

-Mr. Henry W. Tewksbury of West Ran-dolph will give his lecture on the "Battle of Gettysburg" Dec. 29th, at 7:30 o'clock P. M. lecture is illustrated on canvass, and is aid by those who have heard it to be intense

—A subscription paper for a singing school is being circulated with good success. It will probably commence soon after Christmas with Wm. B. Eddy as instructor. -Our school teacher, J. E. Glesson, gives free instruction in penmanship one evening

-During the recent cold wave the mercury ranged from 20 to 28° below zero.

—People are improving the sledding by drawing wood, logs, lumber, etc.

—W. G. Wright is the fortunate recipient of a pension and arrears of nearly \$1400 for injuries received in the late war with \$8 per month in future. These old veterans in their declining years know how to appreciate such that the state of the country when they

tokens for serving the country when they -Henry Bagg is slowly recovering from his late injury.

-- Huldah Horton has sold her place to Gil-

bert Barber for \$1100.

-Mrs. Gray and family left Wednesday for Philadelphia, where they will spend the -Homer Chapin found this climate cold for him after residing in Florids and is now suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

—Mrs. Jane Bullard, who has been spending a few weeks at L. H. Gould's, has returned to Greenfield. -Clifton Sherman of Brattleboro called

herst college.

The lyceum sifted the tariff question again Tuesday evening, and next week the will wrestle with the presidential elector.

-The Unitarian made their chorister, A.